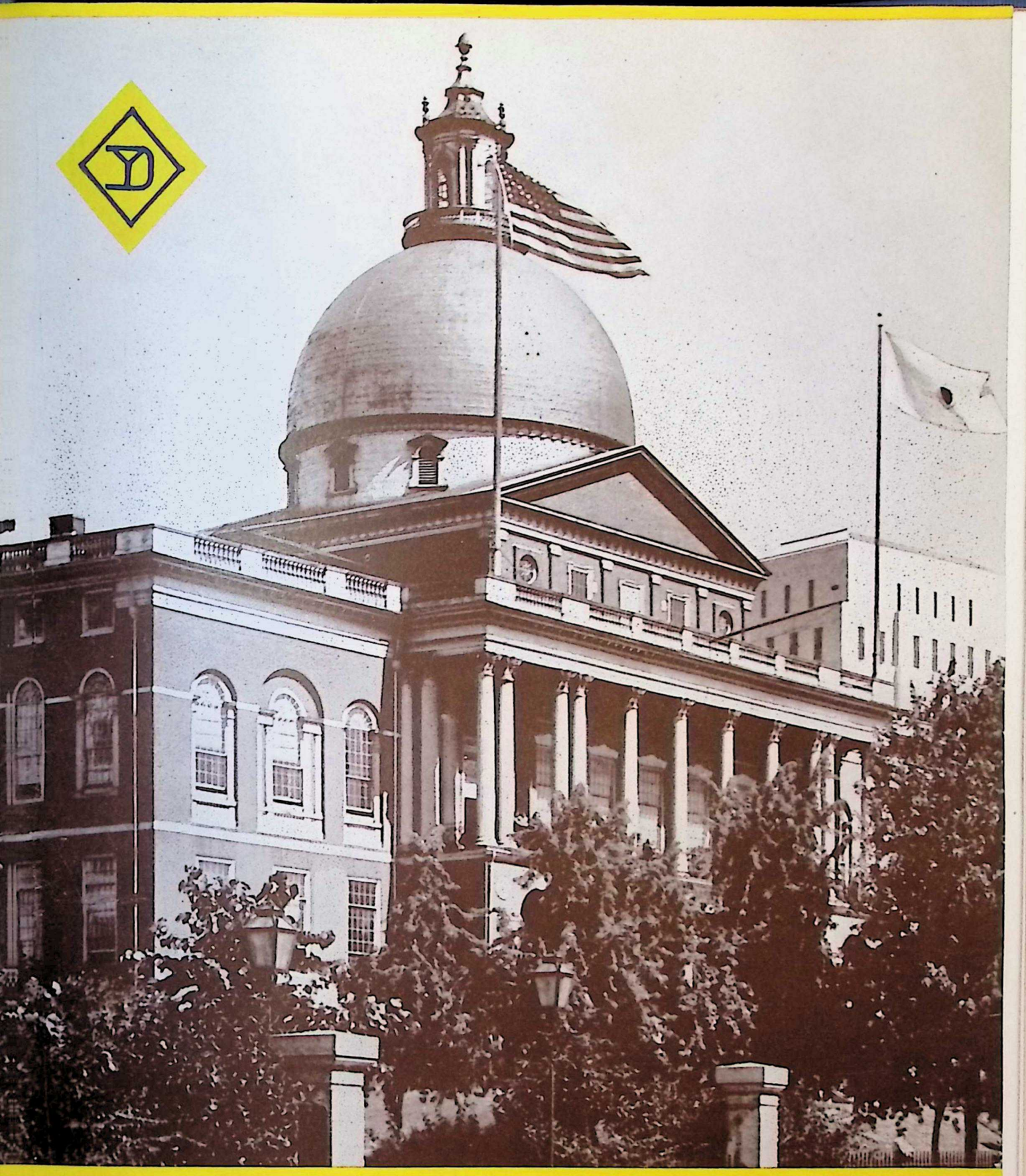

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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASS'N.

To All Active and Life Members of the YD Veterans Association:

Notice is hereby given that the Twenty-First Annual Convention of the Association will convene in the Ball Room of the Copley-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts, on Thursday, June 6, 1940, at 4:00 P.M., to transact any and all business which may properly come before the legislative body of the Association.

Any person eligible to active membership, whose dues shall have been received prior to the opening of said Convention shall be entitled to one vote on any question to come before the Convention.

JERRY D. O'LEARY,
National Commander

PHILIP N. SANBORN,
National Secretary.

RESOLUTION

The following Resolution will be presented to the Twenty-First Annual Convention for its action.

Resolved: That National membership dues in the Yankee Division Veterans Association shall be $2.00 per year until changed by vote of a National Convention.

Further Resolved: That a copy of this Resolution be published in the Convention Number of YANKEE DOINGS.

Sponsor: The National Executive Committee, by unanimous vote.

YD CLUBHOUSE TO BE OPEN THROUGHOUT CONVENTION

Although all the main events of the Convention are being held elsewhere, the YD Memorial Clubhouse at 200 Huntington Avenue will be open from 10:00 A. M. till midnight all four days. Men will be on duty there to give information concerning all events.

GENERAL EDWARDS

Maj. Gen. Clarence Ransom Edwards, U.S.A.

"DADDY"

SERVICE RECORD

Born — Cleveland, Ohio, January 1, 1860.

Graduated — United States Military Academy, 1883.

Commissioned Second Lieutenant, 10th Infantry, on graduation West Point, had honorary degrees of A.M. and L.L.D., from St. John's, Fordham, where he was military instructor.

Married — Bessie R. Porter, June 11, 1889, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Frontier service for several years.

Major, United States Volunteers' service, August 17, 1890.

Lieutenant Colonel, United States Volunteers, July 3, 1898.

Chief of Staff for Gen. Lawton in the Philippines. Participated in all of Lawton's campaigns and brought back to the United States the body of his Chief.

Mustered out of Volunteers' service, July 2, 1902.

Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, Washington, July 1, 1902, to May 13, 1912.

Brigadier General, United States Army, June 30, 1906.

Later, commanded 2nd Brigade, Texas City, Hawaiian Brigade and Panama Canal Zone troops.

Appointed Commander Northeastern Department April 30, 1917.

Major General, United States Army, August 5, 1917.

Made Commander, 26th Division, made up of National Guard units of New England States, August 22, 1917.

Sailed for France with the division, September 7, 1917.

Commanded division in all its engagements up to October 24, 1918, when he was relieved and ordered home to a command at Camp Lee, Va.

Never took latter command, ordered to resume his old command at Boston, as head of the Northeastern Department, November 30, 1918.

Retired from active duty, November 1, 1922.

Died Saturday, February 14, 1931.

JERRY D. O'LEARY

National Commander

1939 - 1940

NATIONAL COMMANDER'S FINAL MESSAGE

Comrades, it seems funny for me to write this article for YANKEE DOINGS. I have gotten into the habit of writing a page for our magazine every month, during the past year, and now this is the last.

It is going to be hard to slow down after travelling the pace that I have been going, but it was worth it, at least I feel it was. I have travelled over fourteen thousand miles as your National Commander, and made over one hundred visitations, some nearby, others more than a thousand miles away.

I have visited hospitals, soldiers' homes, club rooms, dinners, dances, smokers, reunions and whatnot. I am sorry that space will not permit going into detail. By train, steamship, auto, airplane and bus I have travelled at all hours of the day and night. Always for one cause, the Y.D.V.A. Do you wonder why it is hard for me to write these words. All the happy memories of this past year are rushing through my head at once; the thoughts come faster than I can write.

It has been a pleasure that comes to a man once in a lifetime to meet all of you; to find all interested in one and the same thing; and each willing to do just as much as the other fellow. That is the spirit that makes an organization great.

I want to thank every one who has helped make my year the greatest in the history of the Y.D.V.A. You, each of you, played your part. Some perhaps accomplished more than others, but all were working for the same cause.

It is my hope that all of you will attend the business meetings of the Convention. Important matters are to come up, and men of importance will address the meetings. Hear what they have to say to us.

If you will support your new National Commander as you have supported me, and I know you will, this Association will reach greater heights. Help him to get started early this year. His job is a hard one, but your support will make it easier, and fill his heart with satisfaction.

I want to thank my own Chapter for the many things they have done for me. It was because of their confidence and support that I was privileged to become your National Commander.

In closing, I pledge my support to my successor: I stand ready to aid and assist him at all times, for the grandest bunch of fellows who were ever assembled together.

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Sincerely,

Maurice J. Tobin

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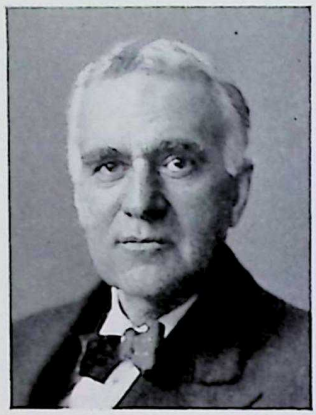

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THURSDAY — JUNE 6

All Day —
9:00 A.M. to Midnight Registration — Main Lobby, Copley Plaza Hotel.

4:00 P.M. First Business Meeting, Copley Plaza Hotel.
Introduction of Distinguished Guests, Reading of Reports, etc.

8:00 P.M. "The Yankee Division in France" — All Star Boxing, Wrestling, Vaudeville and Variety Show. Mechanics Building, Huntington Ave.

FRIDAY — JUNE 7

All Day —
9:00 A.M. to Midnight Registration — Main Lobby, Copley Plaza Hotel.

10:30 A.M. Second Business Meeting, Copley Plaza Hotel.
Resolutions, Amendments, Unfinished Business, New Business.

Afternoon Friday afternoon has purposely been left open for sightseeing, bus trips, harbor boat trips, major league ball game (Red Sox vs. Detroit at Fenway Park), horse racing (Suffolk Downs), or just plain elbow-bending.

8:45 P.M. Grand Fireworks Display and Anti-aircraft defense manoeuvres — Charles River Basin. A beautiful park, over one mile long, flanks the basin. About ten-minute walk, or two-minute ride from Headquarters at the Copley-Plaza.

9:00 to 1:00 Military Ball — Grand Ball Room — Copley Plaza. Uniforms, evening dress or civvies. Bands, drum corps, color, music. Wear your medals, strut your stuff, ride the famous Merry-go-Round.

SATURDAY — JUNE 8

9:00 A.M. to Noon Registration — Main Lobby — Copley Plaza Hotel.

10:00 A.M. Final Business Session — Copley Plaza.
Election of Officers and Selection of 1941 Convention City.

10:00 A.M. Special Bugle and Drum Corps Competition on Boston Common.
Strictly YD Junior Corps only.

12:00 Noon Luncheon — Copley Plaza Main Dining Room.

The following will be guests of the Convention Corporation at this luncheon.

All present National Officers of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, including Department Commanders, but not other Department Officers.

All newly elected National Officers of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, including Department Commanders, but not other Department officers.

All officers, directors and members of the Convention Corporation or Convention Committee.

All Past National Commanders of the Y.D.V.A.

Any other YD man may attend luncheon at cost.

3:00 P.M. THE PARADE. Starting Point is Post Office Square, in front of Federal Building. Finish at Copley Square. Route not over 1¼ miles.

6:00 P.M. Regimental, Battalion, Company, or Chapter Banquets, Dinners and Re-unions, as planned.

6:30 P.M. Dinner by Boston YD Auxiliary to Visiting YD Women —
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SUNDAY — JUNE 9

10:30 A.M. Non-Sectarian Memorial Services —
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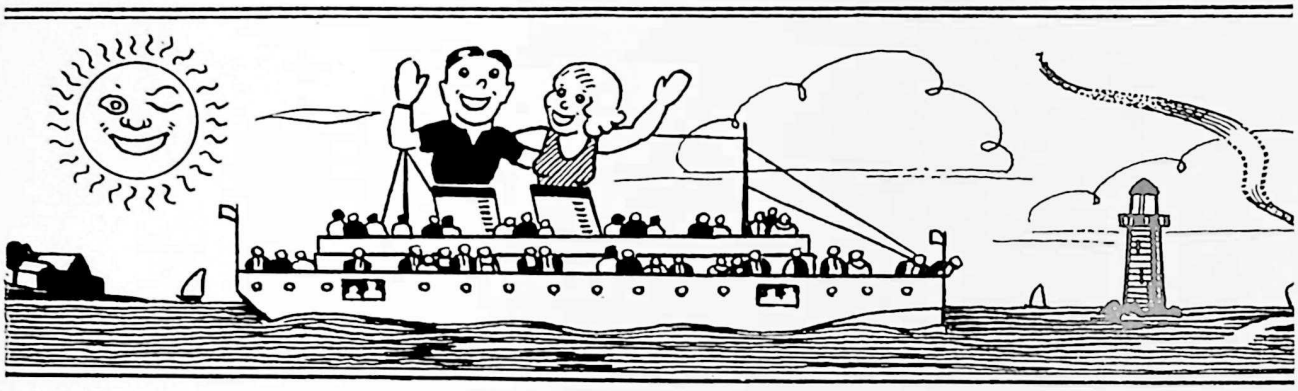

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CONVENTION BUSINESS SESSIONS

All business sessions of the Twenty-First Annual Convention will be held in the Copley Plaza Hotel. The following order of procedure is subject to change at the will of the Chair and the consent of the body.

THURSDAY — JUNE 6 — 4:00 P.M.

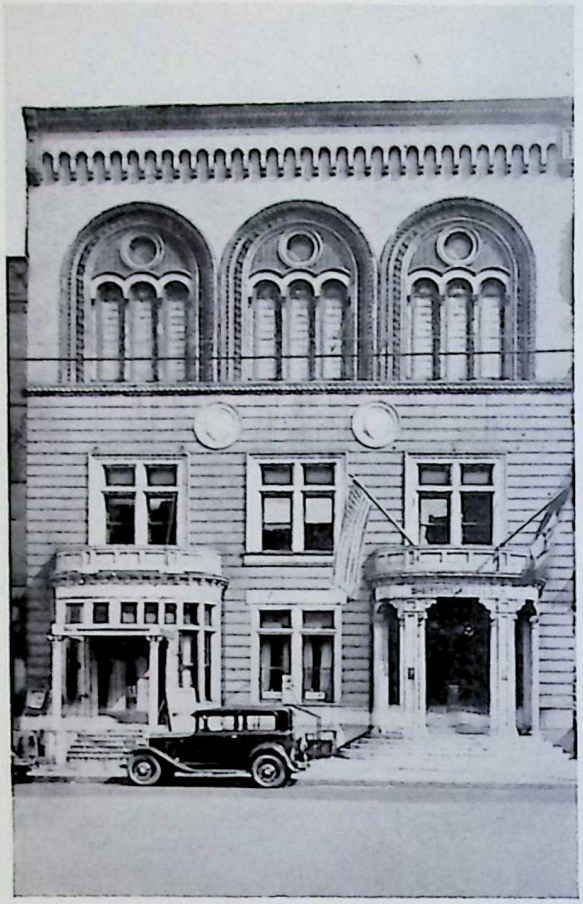
Convention called to Order.
Advance the Colors.
Invocation by National Chaplain.
Minute's Silence and Taps.
Reading of the "Call" for the Convention.
Greetings from His Excellency Leverett Saltonstall,
Governor of Massachusetts.
Greetings from His Honor Maurice J. Tobin, Mayor of Boston.
Reading of the Minutes of the Twentieth Annual Convention.
Appointment by the Chair of a Resolutions Committee.
Secretary's Report.
Treasurer's Report.
Commander's Report.
Presentation of Distinguished Guests.
Greetings from Chairman of Convention Corporation.
Department Reports.
Committee Reports.
Recess to Friday morning.

FRIDAY — JUNE 7 — 10:30 A.M.

Call to order.
Report of Resolutions Committee and Action thereon.
Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Amendments to Constitution.
Good of the Y.D.V.A.
Presentation of Certificates of Merit.
Presentation of Trophies.
Presentation of YD Rings for membership achievement.
Presentation of Past National Commanders' Gold Badges.
Recess to Saturday morning.
(N.B. Distinguished Guests not presented at Thursday's session may be presented during any part of this meeting.)

SATURDAY — JUNE 8 — 10:00 A.M.

Call to Order.
Selection of 1941 Convention City.
Report of Nominating Committee.
Election of Officers.
Presentation of Newly Elected Officers.
Benediction by National Chaplain.
Retiring of the Colors.
Adjournment.



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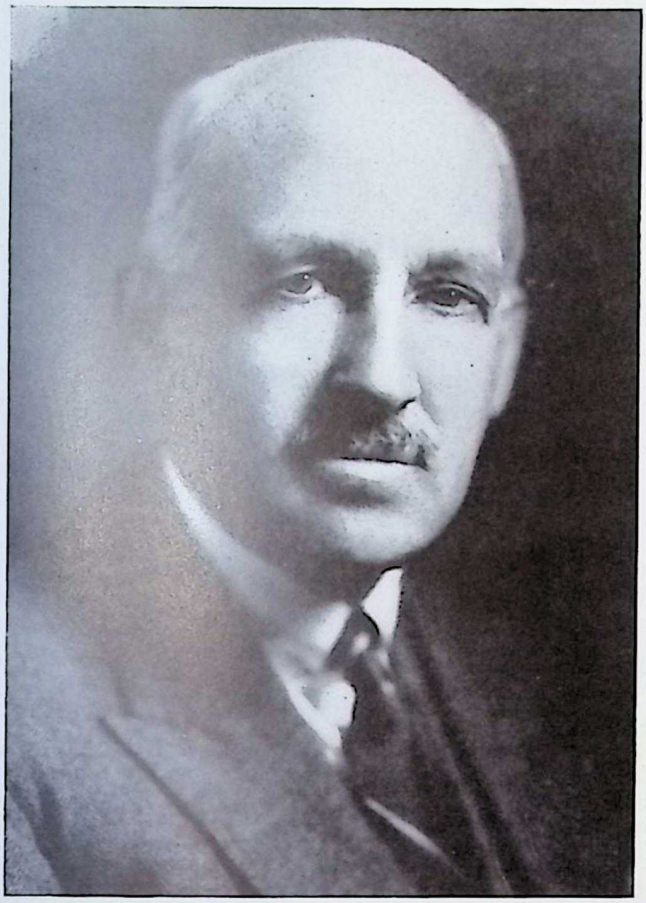

ALLAN FORBES

Allan Forbes, one of the original Trustees of the YD Club of Boston took an active part in the raising of funds for our Memorial Clubhouse, being Treasurer of the Citizen's Committee which paid this tribute to the YD.

Besides being President of the State Street Trust Company of Boston, Mr. Forbes is a director of numerous corporations.

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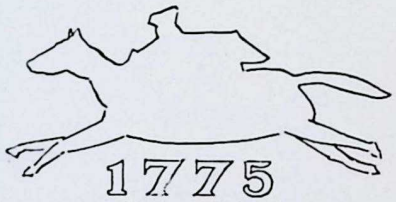

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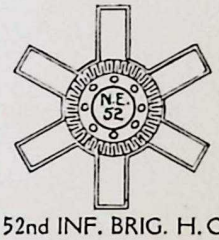

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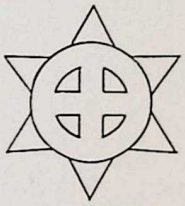

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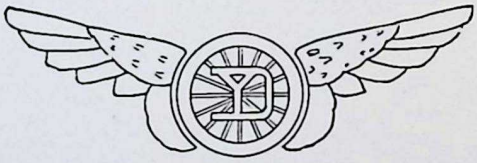

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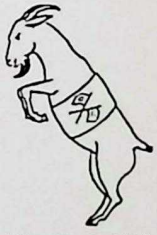

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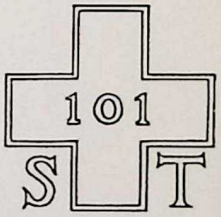

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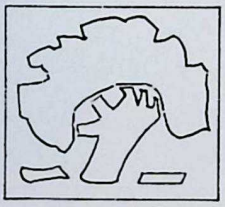

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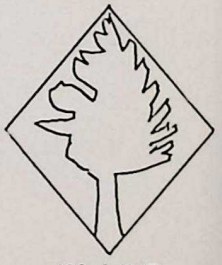

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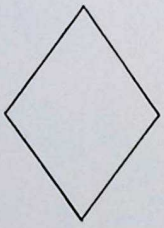

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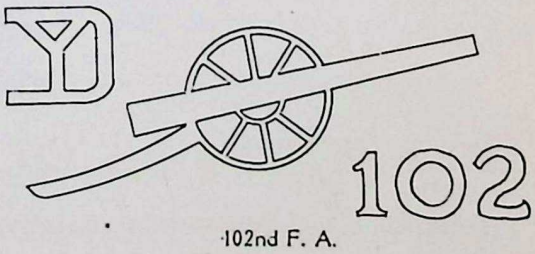

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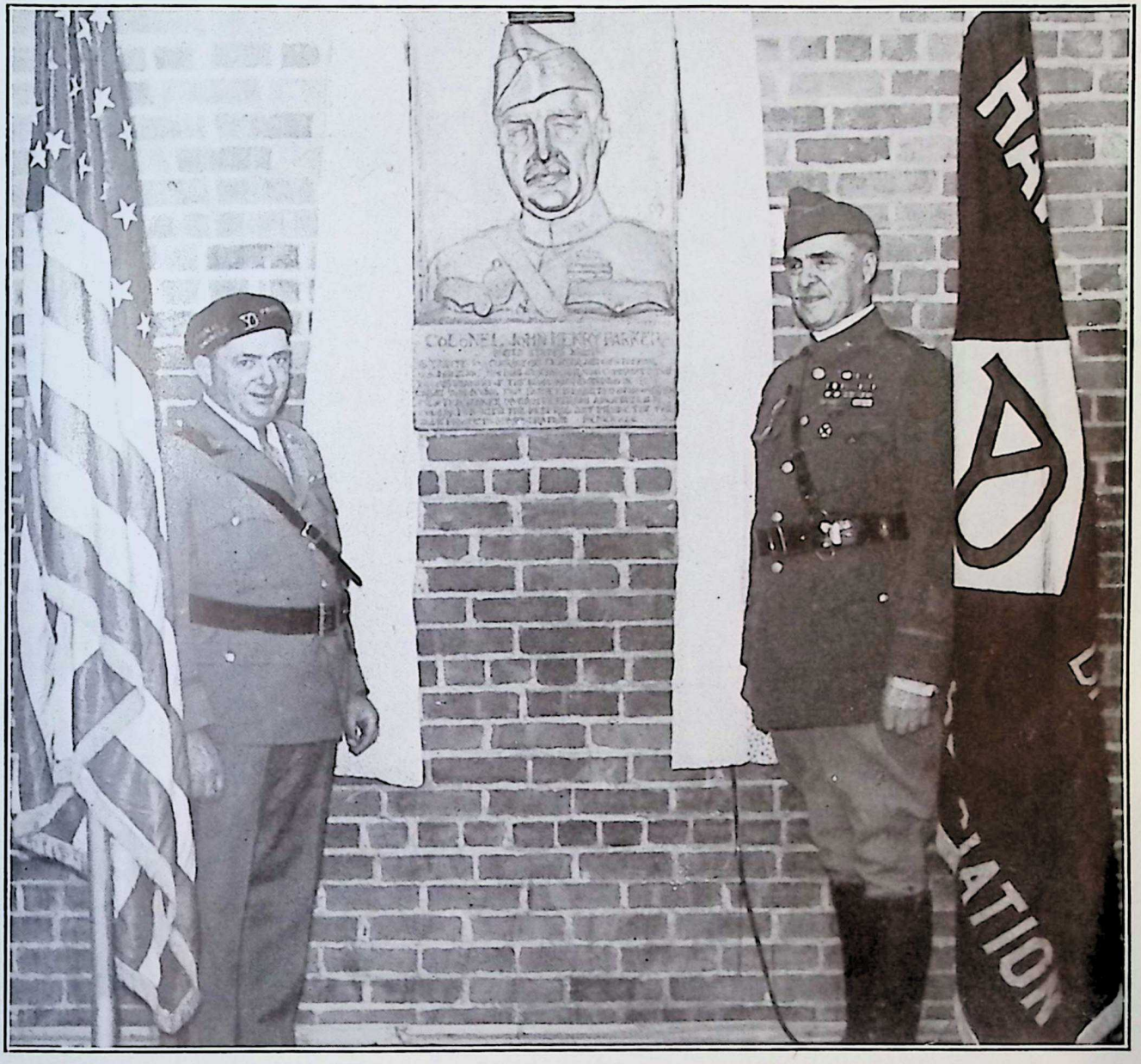

NATIONAL COMMANDER HELPS HONOR "MACHINE GUN" PARKER

Dedication Held at Armory, New Haven, May 7th, 1940

The YDVA and New Haven did themselves proud at the dedication and unveiling of the memorial plaque of Gen. JOHN HENRY "Machine Gun" PARKER at the State Armory on May 7th. Over 2,000 people turned out for the event and five companies of National Guard (all the New Haven units) participated.

Under command of Major JOSEPH P. HOULEY the enhanced battalion put on a review and was inspected by the Colonel. The "Old Man" made a big hit in his old army togs. Following the dedicatory exercises a competitive drill in the school of the soldier was held by the members of the new 102nd Infantry.

National Commander JERRY O'LEARY extolled "Machine Gun" in the principal address of the evening. The Colonel was very touched by the tribute and wants JERRY to send him a copy of

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the speech. GUY WATTS also represented national headquarters. General JAMES A. HAGGERTY accepted the plaque for the State and Col. ERNEST E. NOVEY spoke for the present 102nd Infantry. Commander FRED HIRSCH and State Commander-elect WILLIAM ALLEN, of Manchester, also spoke briefly. State Secretary CLYDE BECKWITH, also of Manchester, opened the ceremony with the regular YD prayer.

Many members of the American Legion, VFW, DAV, and Military Order of the Purple Heart turned out in uniform for the occasion. Lieut. A. R. TETA and his 102nd Infantry Band provided the music and a splendid drill and concert was put on by the boys section of the Junior YD Drum and Bugle Corps of YD Post No. 130. George Tyrell was in charge of the youngsters and Frances Glasso wielded the baton. "Toots" also unveiled the memorial. M. J. McDERMOTT was chairman of the Parker Memorial committee and the sculptor was Michael Martino, of New Haven. Following the exercises open house at the new YD Chateau attracted many of the visitors. Lunch and refreshments were served.

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Older, grayer, with fewer hairs on our heads and more inches in our belts, we meet again to lift a glass to the days of hardship and glory; to the days when we were lean and lithe and hard and young; days filled till the cup runneth over with zest and courage and youth, yes, and with youth's ideals. We never talked much about them. The weight of our pack, the length of a hike, the aches in our dogs, the price of cognac or mademoiselles, the supremacy of our own personal, individual cootie farm over all others, the reluctance of wet, green wood to produce heat; the chronic delinquency of the mailman, the paymaster and the sun; how to keep clear of "the one with our number on it" — of such trivia was our daily conversation. No talk of what it was all about. The big shots in the embassies and chancelleries kept their fiddles and piccolos tuned to the theme song. We just furnished the percussion accompaniment.

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It's a funny thing about war: the fellow doing the fighting isn't supposed to know or care what he's fighting for. He's just supposed to do as he's told; be it scouring the chow pans, digging a latrine, stabbing a fellow-man through the guts, or mapping out a major campaign. The brass hats are in the same spot as the buck privates. They tell the latter to dig six feet of trench, and they tell the generals to capture a certain piece of ground. Nobody tells him why. You're supposed to put your mind, your reason and your conscience in hock when you sign on the dotted line. For a pawn ticket they give you a rifle, a pick and a shovel.

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But we were there, weren't we? And of our own accord, weren't we? And we didn't like it so much, did we? Well then, even if we had parked our chin-music with our civvies, each of us must have had *some* reason. A guy doesn't voluntarily exchange a bed with clean sheets for a couché on a manure pile, nor a dollar-an-hour job for one at a dollar a day unless he either has a reason or is wacky. Maybe we thought it was going to be fun. A lot of it was. Some parts were distinctly un-funny. But if any man

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in the A.E.F. had any higher motive than that, no amount of cannonading would ever blast it out of him. It seemed to be the most sacred of all the unwritten laws; in nineteen months we never heard the words patriotism, national ideals, saving democracy, issue from human lips. We read 'em in the papers. The big shots were spewing 'em, day in and day out. They told the world what we were fighting for. But they didn't bother to tell us.

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They didn't need to. We knew — or thought we did. It was all pretty vague and hazy. Like a lad first enamored of a lass. He feels stirrings and rumblings, and the surge of primeval forces he cannot wholly comprehend nor yet fully resist. So did we. In our spiritual adolescence we suffered the same shyness and embarrassment at speaking of "ideals" that biologic adolescence faces in speaking of sex or love. In each case, they are things to be felt, not talked about. Yes, we had our motives, and our reasons; our ideals if you will. And now we're old enough to talk about 'em without blushing. They were a bit haywire, the way things turned out, but not so wholly screwy as some folks are trying to make 'em out.

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They say we were dupes and pawns, deluded and betrayed, that the cause we fought for (and never spoke about) was tripe and hooey, that today we are disillusioned cynics, bitter iconoclasts. "Look", they shout, "You fellows went through a lot of muck and hell to 'make the world safe for democracy'. And most of the world has pitched democracy out of the window. What did it get you? You fought a 'war to end wars.' What do you think now? Take a look! You set out to disprove that 'might makes right.' But that theory is still doing big business at the old stand. You were a bunch of poor suckers, weren't you?"

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O.K., messieurs and mesdames. Have it your way if you want. We still can't see it like that. Yeh, we were fooled all right. Things didn't work out the way they told us they would . But we didn't come back wholly empty-handed. We brought back and gave to America as the heritage of our generation a fiercer will-to-peace than any nation has ever known. On the broken shield of our unspoken ideals we bore home the shining apotheosis of a greater victory. By willingly quaffing the dregs of disillusionment, have we not tied the hands and gagged

the mouths of crack-pots who might otherwise send another crusade of young Galahads in quest of another specious Holy Grail?

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Thank God for America. She's been called Shylock and she's been called a sucker. She didn't get any land, she didn't get any of her money back, she didn't make the world safe for democracy, and she didn't end wars. But if she can, through our experience, and by the grace of Almighty God, preserve a haven of peace and sanity and freedom in this maniac world, then we brought her back a greater victory than any other nation ever won, — greater than we ourselves ever dreamed. This, my cynics, and my sitters in the seats of the scornful, was our only spoils of war, and we're damned proud of 'em. We intend to keep 'em, and we're not ashamed any longer to pray to God to let us keep 'em. We won 'em fair and square.

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Thank God for America. If it goes against your grain to be thankful you're alive and whole and well and free and at peace while other lands are beset with stalking red terror — if it seems a little smug — lacking in humility — deserving of rebuke, then figure it another way. Last time, America, the incurable idealist, doubled the stakes, rolled the dice, and wound up behind the eight-ball — excusing the mixed metaphor. Maybe that was pure and unselfish — but it didn't help much in the long run. It just may be *as* pure and unselfish, and a damned sight more practical, to try to keep her power for good and her faith in man's destiny intact, as a beacon to which a war-weary world may yet lift its eyes, rather than tossing them in the common stew-pot of universal destruction. So, if it hurts your Puritan soul to thank God for your own peace and happiness, then thank Him for giving us a second guess how best to serve His world. And this time, let's guess right.

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Maybe we weren't such suckers as we looked. But if we let this land of ours chuck away that one thing we brought back — the will-to-peace, in a mistaken idea of being of more help by fighting, then, then indeed shall we be called suckers. It's still up to us.

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And let's not forget there's only one way to preserve that trophy of ours. Be strong enough in might to protect it; strong enough in right to deserve it. In defense we are as a babe in arms. Our only defenses worth ten cents are two in number: the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean; and they are getting narrower every month. Do we fondly imagine our good will toward men is going to protect us? When we've got about 90% of everything the hungry horde wants? Nuts! You can't build and train an impregnable national defense in two weeks. In Heaven's name, let's get going, not so we can — in the classic phrase — lick the world; but so the world can't lick us, and won't even try. People aren't going 'round popping Joe Louis on the chin. Thank God for America — and wake up, America. And here endeth this epistle from the old YD to the publicans.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION OF YD VETERANS ASSOCIATION

The text of the following proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the Yankee Division Veterans Association are hereby made an integral part of the Call for the Twenty-First Annual Convention thereof, in accordance with Article XVIII of the Constitution, which reads as follows: Section 1. This Constitution may be amended or repealed by any National Convention by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided due notice of the proposed action shall have been given in the call for the Convention.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1

That Article III shall be amended by striking out the words "and particularly in the settlement of all difficulties with the government arising as a result of military service"; so that the amended article shall read in full:

Article III

Purpose

The purpose and object of this Association shall be to perpetuate the memories of active service of the 26th Division, U. S. Army, in the World War; to promote fraternity and mutual helpfulness among its members; to aid and assist all former members of the Division, their wives, children and other dependents in every possible manner; and to do any and all things which may from time to time appear advisable for the welfare and closer relationship of the veterans of the 26th Division.

Sponsor of Amendment: The National Judge Advocate.

Action of National Executive Committee: Unanimously approved for ratification.

Reason for Proposing This Amendment: The Twentieth Annual Convention directed that the Yankee Division Veterans Association should incorporate under the laws of Massachusetts. In making due application for papers of incorporation, the National Judge Advocate was advised by the Department of Corporations, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, that the words: "and particularly in the settlement of all difficulties with the government arising as a result of military service" might conceivably involve a Massachusetts corporation in a matter of dissension with the Federal government. It was stated that the Association could not be granted papers of incorporation while that phrase remained in its Constitution. Incorporation papers have since been granted on the assumption that this phrase will be deleted by this Convention.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2

That Amendment No. 2 adopted by the Twentieth Annual Convention at Hartford in 1939 be repealed. This Amendment, as adopted at Hartford, reads as follows:

Section 3 of Article VII is hereby amended by striking out the words "or in any Department or Chapter thereof" and substituting the words: "as a whole, but any Chapter thereof shall be permitted to elect Honorary or Associate members of their own Chapter only, subject to the approval of each such election by the National Executive Committee."

Sponsor of Proposed Amendment: The National Commander.

Action of National Executive Committee:

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Explanation: The effect of the adoption of this amendment would be to repeal the Amendment adopted last year, thereby causing this Article of the Constitution to revert to its original, unamended wording, which is: "Section 3. There shall be no further Honorary or Associate Membership in this Association, or in any Department or Chapter thereof."

In other words, a vote of "Aye" on this proposed Amendment is a vote in favor of granting no more Honorary or Associate memberships in this Association, nor in any Department or Chapter, for any reason whatsoever.

A vote of "Nay" is a vote in favor of retaining the change made at Hartford last year, whereby the National Executive Committee has the right to pass on names submitted by Chapters for Honorary or Associate members in their own Chapter.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3

That Article XVI be amended by the addition of a new section, to be numbered Section 7, and to read as follows:

Section 7. National dues in this Association shall be $1.00 per year.

Sponsor of Proposed Amendment: Lynn Chapter.

Action of National Executive Committee: That it has no power to withhold any proposed Amendment from going to the Convention floor; but that it (by unanimous vote) urges the defeat of this Amendment.

Explanation: The present Constitution makes no mention of the amount of National dues. This omission was intentional, not an oversight. Any Convention has the right to set the amount of annual dues. No one else has that right. If the amount were stated in the Constitution, it could not be changed except by Constitutional amendment. At present, it can be changed by a majority vote of the Convention.

Secondly, and of far greater importance, is the opinion of the National Treasurer, and the *unanimous* opinion of those present at the National Executive Committee meeting when this Amendment was discussed, that to cut the annual dues from $2.00 to $1.00 at this time, would so seriously impair the finances of the organization as to make it virtually impossible to remain solvent. It would cut the revenue approximately $4000.00 per year. The total expenditures are about $9500.00. The only way to make up the lost $4000.00 would be 4000 new members at $1.00 each. And even then, an organization of 8000 members cannot operate on the same revenue as an organization of 4000.

In consequence of the submission of the above proposed Amendment, the National Executive Committee is submitting a Resolution (not an Amendment) that the Annual Dues be $2.00 per year, until changed by vote of the National Convention.

The above statements, in explanation of the effect of this proposed amendment are published by direction of the National Executive Committee.

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Originally composed of the National Guard of all the New England States, the 26th Division was the first organized division of the American Expeditionary Force, the first to cross the ocean as a division, and the first to occupy the front line as a complete division. It made the first successful American raid into enemy territory. It received and withstood the first attacks of the Boche against American troops. It went into the line on February 6, 1918, and except for a ten days' training period, it was continuously engaged until the date of the Armistice — Two hundred and ten days of front line service.

No wonder YD veterans now scattered throughout the United States thrill with pride whenever the Yankee Division is mentioned. For she was one of the pioneer divisions with a spirit and esprit de corps which inspired her members to deeds of exceptional valor.

Made up of good New England stock, men from all walks of life, the division was inducted into federal service on July 15, 1917. From that date to the period of September 7th to October 9th, when the division embarked overseas, an intensive period of training welded the various units of national guardsmen into a well regulated combat division of which the Germans later said, "The 26th American Division is a fighting division which has proven its qualities in battles on various parts of the front."

Once in France, the modern methods of warfare as conducted on the Western Front were learned under competent British and French instructors. From October to February, in weather generally rainy and cold, through drill fields ankle deep in mud, the men assiduously performed and mastered those duties required of first class fighting troops. The natural aptitude of the American soldier for bayonet fighting was taken advantage of, and at the artillery school at Camp Coetquidan the gunners made a reputation for rapid and accurate firing.

CHEMIN DES DAMES

Thus it was that on February 5th, when the Division moved into the front line on the famous Chemin des Dames just above Soissons, it bravely settled into its positions with a determination to give a good account of itself.

And it did! Although the sector was fairly quiet at this time, the Germans by means of their superb intelligence system had ascertained that new troops had entered the allied lines opposite them. Therefore, they were constantly on the alert. On the night of February 14-15th, a small group of the 104th Infantry were out on patrol, to reconnoiter some enemy work in the opposite line. Suddenly the Americans encountered a party of Germans. During the brisk skirmish that followed in the darkness, two Boches, one wounded, were captured. These were the first prisoners made by the American forces. Four days later, the Germans launched their first raid against our lines. Their intention was doubtless to get prisoners and find out about the new troops. But once the raid was under way, the fire of our artillery was so effective and so accurately placed that the enemy was forced to halt. Then our infantry poured a deadly hail of rifle and machine gun fire which caused the Germans to retire, leaving dead and wounded behind. Thus was concluded the first successful defense of the Americans against enemy attack.

The French Corps Commander, under whose direction the 26th was operating, was quick to compliment the Yankees on the way in which they had performed in the face of an experienced adversary.

From this time until March 18th, when the Division left the Chemin des Dames, attacks and enemy counter attacks were the order of the day. Just before the relief came, the Germans put over a terrific barrage of gas. While there were quite a number of casualties, this first enemy gas concentration taught our men how necessary it was to be always on the alert against such attacks. This experience was to stand them in good stead later in the trying, crucial days at Chateau Thierry and in the Argonne.

TOUL SECTOR

Originally intended as a divisional maneuver, the march from Soissons to Toul suddenly developed into a series of forced marches to the front. Our First Division, then in the Toul sector, had been called to another sector and it was to relieve them as well as a French division that the 26th hurried to that part of the line northwest of Toul, known as the La Reine sector. Its entire length was approximately 18 kilometers, and when the 26th took it over completely it was the first time an entire American division had occupied a devisional sector. From April 3rd until June 28th, the YD remained, engaging the enemy in the battles of Apremont, Seicheprey, Xivray-Marvoisin, and the Hickey Raid.

When the Division was withdrawn from the Toul sector, rumor had it that the men were due a good long rest, somewhere down in the south of France where sunny skies and green fields sounded like a soldier's paradise. There was even talk of going to Italy.

However, on June 30th, orders came to move, Troyes being the first stop, then northward to Noisey-le-Sec. This was practically the outskirts of Paris, but there it was learned that our destination was not the capital of France, but a couple of towns — Meaux, Trilport. The map showed that only a dozen miles beyond was Chateau-Thierry and Dormans — and then the men of the 26th knew that they were in for a real scrap. For it was there that the mighty German offensive which threatened Paris had been momentarily halted.

CHATEAU THIERRY

Between July 5th and 8th, the YD relieved the 2nd American Division to take up what was known as the Champagne-Marne Defensive. And on July 15th, when the Germans resumed their offensive, the 26th and the French stood fast and the thrust was stopped dead in its tracks.

The time for the American attack had come. From July 18th to the 25th the Division attacked brilliantly; drove back the Boche eighteen kilometers despite terrific

resistance, lost in action close to 5000 men, but gained all its objectives and always maintained its high state of morale. Many were the valorous deeds accomplished by the infantry and machine gunners during those bloody advances through the waist high wheat of Bouresches, Epieds and Trugny. Subjected to terrific artillery fire of both high explosives and gas throughout those sleepless nights, the men hopped off doggedly at dawn and pushed steadily forward in the teeth of a very hail of machine gun fire. At times, the advance was halted momentarily by one or more cleverly concealed nests of Maxims. But eventually the khaki clad lines rolled irresistibly onward in one of the greatest drives of the war.

In this particular drive, the artillery of the Division accomplished one of the outstanding feats of the World War. It was continuously in service, first firing in sector from July 8th to 18th, and then moving forward and firing under intense counter strafing by the enemy until August 5th, long after the rest of the Division had been pulled out.

Until August 13th, the Division rested just below Chateau Thierry. Leaves of 48 hours were granted, and the worn out soldiers had their first chance to see Paris. Only a small percentage of the men were allowed to go, however, and shortly the Division was on the move again — this time to the vicinity of Chatillon-sur-Seine.

ST. MIHIEL

The Division's stay in this peaceful training area was short-lived. Suddenly on August 27th came orders, and on the 28th the men were on the move again, detraining later the same day at points in the vicinity of Bar-le-Duc. It was to pinch off the Saint Mihiel salient that the 26th and her sister Divisions had been called. On September 2-3rd the concentration had been effected, a tremendous amount of artillery and troops having been moved over difficult terrain with remarkable speed. On September 9th the command of the sector passed to the 26th and in the early morning hours of September 12th the Division hopped off to the attack which completely wiped out the famous St. Mihiel salient with which the Germans had threatened Verdun for four long years. Outside of a spectacular concentrated artillery barrage of about five hours duration, which prepared the way for the infantry, there was nothing unusual about this attack. It developed into a race between the 26th Division on the west and the First Division on the east of the salient to see who would reach Vigneulles first — and the 26th won.

Settling down into the newly won territory called the Troyon sector, the Division was now called upon to execute a feint, a tactical maneuver designed to divert the German's attention away from the Argonne where the next big attack was to take place. This feint was to consist of taking and occupying for about 24 hours the towns of Marcheville and Riavelle. By severe hand-to-hand fighting, during which time the towns were taken and retaken several times, the mission was successfully carried out, although the losses were quite severe for a minor opration of this type. That the feint was successful was evidenced by reports captured later in which the Germans stated that it was very evident that the Americans were planning to attack east of the Meuse on a large scale.

MEUSE-ARGONNE

By October 8th, the 26th had withdrawn to the vicinity of Verdun and from the 11th to the 18th the Division took over its positions in the Argonne. On the morning of October 16th several units attacked, but the German positions were so strongly organized that what little progress was made had to be given up later in the day. French tanks were supposed to have beaten a path, but found the soggy terrain too difficult for any advance.

The Division continued to attack, advancing slowly against the most stubborn resistance encountered in the war, until the Armistice November 11th. At that date it had been on the Verdun front 25 days, longer than any other Division except the 26th French. The Division had gained 5.5 kilometers over the roughest and most strongly fortified terrain and at a time when the man power of the Division was greatly depleted and physically worn out.

POST ARMISTICE

From the date of the Armistice until March 26th, when the first units of the Division sailed for home, the time was spent in reconditioning the men. Worn out from such long continued service in the lines, with uniforms and equipment sadly in need of replacement, several months were needed to make the Division presentable. At the review and inspection by General Pershing on February 19th, such a favorable showing was made that the General sent a letter of congratulation to General Harry Hale, then commanding the 26th.

Arriving in the States, the Division went to Camp Devens in Massachusetts. There a review was held on April 22nd in the presence of a crowd estimated to be 300,000 people. Then on April 25th came the mammoth parade in Boston, where the men marched through those historic streets lined with enthusiastic, shouting people. Tired, but grateful for such a welcome, the Division returned to Camp Devens and was mustered out of service on April 28-29th, thus ending almost two years of glorious achievement in the world's greatest conflict.

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The first copy of YANKEE DOINGS was published twenty years ago this month, in June, 1920. It bore the title "DOINGS OF THE YD". The editor was RALPH M. EASTMAN.

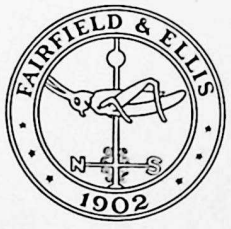
The name YANKEE DOINGS first appeared in August, 1920, when Volume I, Number 1 was published.

To commemorate twenty years of uninterrupted publication, this Souvenir Program Number presents its readers with a copy of that first number.

The original copy was done in mimeograph, a feature which, unfortunately cannot be reproduced here. It tells of the of the first election of officers, and devotes most of its space to a description of the Memorial Clubhouse, which at that time, had not yet opened its doors. (The opening was on October 12, 1920.)

Today our National Headquarters is perhaps less palatial than described twenty years ago. Nevertheless, the old YD has weathered the storm of world depression, unemployment among its potential members, the stress and strain of twenty years of a rapidly changing world, the vicissitudes of seemingly insoluble difficulties. It still owns its home, it is in excellent repair, it hasn't a cent of mortgage, it hasn't a cent of debt, and YANKEE DOINGS, like time, marches on. Few organizations have done as well.

To the struggles we have made, and the victories we have won, this re-print of our first number is dedicated.



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On Monday afternoon June 21st, 1920 the Yankee Division Veterans' Association held a National Convention at the Clubhouse, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. The Association adopted and amended the Constitution and By-Laws and elected national officers as follows:

Major General Clarence R. Edwards was unanimously elected honorary president. Chas. A. Stevens, president; Albert H. Greenlaw, vice-president for Maine; Chas. S. Walker, vice-president for New Hampshire; Henry Munsell, vice-president for Vermont. James A. Brickett, vice-president for Massachusetts; E. St. J. Chaffee, vice president for Rhode Island; Philip H. English, vice-president for Connecticut; Oscar G. Lagerquist and Kenneth D. Johnson, vice-presidents at large; Frank S. Perkins, Treasurer. Wm. J. Farrell, Chaplain; Wm. H. Dolan, Harold A. Andrews and Howard Bruemmer additional members of the Executive Committee. Additional officers appointed to the Executive Committee were: Elon F. Tandy, secretary and Emerson G. Taylor, historian.

Under Article IX, referring to Local Organization, it provides that local chapters to be known as YD Clubs or such other designations as may be satisfactory to themselves, may be chartered in any locality upon the written application of not less than ten persons residents of such locality and eligible to active membership. A Charter shall be issued to any YD Club upon the approval of the National President and National Secretary. Each YD Club or local chapter shall have such officers and shall be governed by such rules and regulations, consistent with the National Constitution and By-laws, as it may prescribe. These charters may be revoked by the National Executive Committee, but not without thirty days' notice in writing in such Club or local Chapter.

Under Article X, referring to Finance, it provides that the annual dues for each active member of this Association shall be fifty (50) cents, to be paid through the YD Club or local chapter to which the member belongs, the dues for the first year to be paid to the YD Club or chapter when application for membership is filed and to be forwarded immediately to the National Treasurer; dues thereafter to be paid in advance on the first day of April in each year.

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The 101st Machine Gun Battalion Association of Hartford was the first to apply for a charter in the Yankee Division Veterans' Association. We understand that they have a live bunch down there in Hartford and what they lack in numbers will be made up in "pep". Success to them!

Under the new Constitution a charter may be granted upon the application of ten "Yanks" and payment to the National Headquarters of the annual dues of fifty (50) cents each. Go to it 'fellers'.

There's nothing slow about the YD's out in Cleveland, Ohio. C. A. Helfrich who is Secretary of that Club informs us that the bunch still got that same "stick-to-it" way of doing things, and they hope in a very short time to get their clubhouse opened to accommodate the fast increasing membership. The officers of the Club are as follows: F. L. Bastee, chairman; Earle S. Hart, Assistant chairman; C. A. Helfrich, secretary, and Walter A. Hack, assistant secretary.

This is the clearing house for YD news so constitute yourself a member of the editorial staff and send in news items. Information of the whereabouts and doings of our buddies is what we all want.

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If you see a man wearing a YD button don't wait for an introduction or stop to wonder who he is, just step right up as you did in those good old days and say "hello Yank".

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Want to find your old buddie? Well, just let us have his name and we'll find out where he "coushays" now.

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If you meet a YD man who hasn't joined, just say "YD'ya hesitate? Get aboard.

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General Edwards has a beautiful home at Westwood and is some farmer with his 6 horses, 3 cows, 550 hens and chickens, 7 pigs, 3 dogs, a dozen turkeys, 3 canaries, 1 parrot (Spanish) and a small army of farmers. Every time Major Hyatt gets a day off he goes to the farm, dons rubber boots and gives an exhibition of the best little farmer you ever saw. The General has given his new home the most appropriate name of "Doneroving". It is some swell billet and they do say that the General has a swell wardrobe in the "Abri" at his P.C. in the home sector.

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Do you remember Sergt. Bill Hannon at the Q.M. Storehouse? Some nice boy Bill was. He is making good down in Charlotte, N. C.; became third partner in a lumber business the first of the year, also part owner in a fine boy whom they call young Bill.

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Lt. "Jim" Boyer has left the YD Club and has accepted a very lucrative G-1 job with the Cornhill Publishing Company, Boston, Mass. The best of wishes go with him.

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Rol. Avery (San. Det. Fld. Sig. Bn.) had a swell wedding the 16th of June and Harold Smith pronounced it as "some party" with all the "fixins"; wonder what he means by "all".

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What's in a name?????? Well, when you have YD right in the middle of it like Bill SnYDer, why er, er, er well you tell 'em Bill.

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Manning the trumpet artist of the old 101st Infantry band and Hamilton (101st F.S.Bn.) are still orderlies to General Edwards.

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Attention there pals of Charles Boynton!!! Charlie has chosen his Buddy for life. The minister will do the rest in the near future and then Charlie will proceed to show the world that two can live as cheap as one. Anyhow, he'll make one grand little "head of the house" after all his experience with the Quartermaster and disbursing officer of the Division 'over there'. Best of luck, Charlie.

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Topics of the day———Edwards jumped again! !

ATTENTION

The Club will be open by the last of August for members and their friends. The "big day" of the public opening will take place sometime in the early fall. If you haven't been in to look the building over, let me tell you about it. We enter through the well portico and the first impression, as we step into the foyer, is that of great satisfaction for it looks like a real Club. The mahogany railed staircase with marble steps, the terazza tiled floor with marble mosaic border and heavy cushioned seats and chairs all harmonize and the effect is pleasing. It is furnished with Italian plank end benches and open end scroll bow back Windsor arm chairs, finished in rich brown oak. Turning to the right we go down stairs to the billiard parlor and bowling alleys. There are six beautiful mahogany tables of the "jumbo type" with three bowling alleys on each side. Geo. White, a YD man, is superintendent of the department. Incidentally an old YD barber stands ready to operate as he used to except that both shears and razors have been sharpened since those days across the pond, so the operation is less painful.

Going back to the first floor, we go by the information desk, leave our hats at the coat room and go into the great lounging and newspaper room. The first thing that attracts the attention is the beautiful oriental rug which was so generously given by Miss Lotta Crabtree of well known fame as an actress and once owner of the best racing stable in New England. This rug is valued at $4000. The predominating color of this room is blue, this being the YD color. The windows are hung with blue and putty colored Armure with valances designed to emphasize the architectural features of the windows. The furniture, of early English oak, is upholstered in plain blue Mohair with gold background. The blue is also echoed into the rich old Oriental rug which almost covers the entire floor of the room. On either side of the fireplace are large wing chairs, reproductions of antiques. A large davenport faces the fireplace, at either side of which are convenient little sofa arm tables, and a massive oak refectory table stands in the center with inviting benches and splat back Windsor chairs around it. More Windsor chairs and luxurious easy chairs are scattered around while in the great bay window are large substantial rattan arm chairs and a table of similar work. The fireplace is of Italian marble with a beautifully inlaid Venetian mosaic canopy reaching nearly to the high ceiling. Let us wander out through the foyer into the Dining room.

The walls of the dining room are very artistic with eight-foot gum wood panelling and Parisian Canne stone. The ceiling is in arched panels, with a large glazed panelled ceiling light in the center giving a subdued light. The fireplace is flanked on each side with large davenports covered in Roan-hide leather; these with the magnificent Elizabethan table and the bow back Windsor arm chairs scattered around, help to give a "home like" welcome to the great dining room where the men may congregate before or after meals. In the center of the room, under the great glass ceiling, is the round table large enough to seat nine or ten men comfortably. Grouped around this round table, and forming a great square, are 12 tables large enough to seat 4 men each. A long row of smaller cafe tables planned for two or three are arranged along the walls and between the columns. Chairs of the Windsor type, but of unusual design surround the table providing comfortable seating space with ample room for almost a hundred men. The furniture in this room is all solid oak, finished in a soft old brown like the furniture of the great dining halls of Europe. The fireplace is one of the most attractive features of the dining room and is the gift of the Woman's Auxiliary of the 101st Engineers.

On the 16″ marble back are cut the important battles and engagements in which the Division took part: Apremont, Vaux, Belleau, Seicheprey, Bouresches, Xivray-Marvoisin, Torcy, Humbert-Plantation, Givry, Vigneulles, Riaville, Epieds, St. Hilaire, Verdun, Trugny, Marcheville, Chateau-Thierry, Bras. At the end of the room is the service counter which has a business-like appearance and makes one hungry just to look at it, in the rear of which is the kitchen, store, ice and dish-washing rooms. At the opposite end of the room is the public desk with candy and cigar cases.

Ascending the marble staircase we come to the Ladies' Reception Room where your Mother, wife or sweetheart may wait for you in comfort. The predominating color of this room is nile green. The window draperies are of green velvet with a shaped valance of hand blocked English linen of striking design of naturalistic tropical birds and plants of nile green and other bright colors, on a background of natural linen, trimmed with bullion fringe. The furniture is upholstered in green freizette with the exception of a few small pieces which have cushions covered in the hand blocked linen, same as the valances. The furniture is finished in walnut brown. In front of the massive fireplace is a luxurious davenport sofa backed by a graceful Italian plank end table. On either side of the fireplace is a large willow wing chair and on the opposite side of the room stands an old Colonial Empire console table, over which hangs a mirror of the same period. Conveniently grouped around the room are small tables and comfortable chairs. The rug in this room is taupe color with border of a deeper shade.

Opening from this room is the Writing room. This is pleasingly decorated in soft shades of brown. The window draperies are of soft shades of brown with shaped valances trimmed with blue on which the YD monogram is appliqued. The rug is of two shades of brown. A number of both single and double writing desks of Jacobean design with splat back Windsor side chairs, are conveniently placed around the room. Windsor arm chairs, an upholstered sofa, and an oval centre table complete the furnishings of this room. This is the memorial room of the 102nd Field Artillery.

Beyond the Writing Room is the Library. This is tastefully decorated in shades of mulberry. The hangings of the windows are of Coptic mulberry Mohair with old gold background, the valances being of hand blocked figured linen of bold design. The predominating mulberry tone is enriched by soft shades of gold, blue and green on a background of black. The rug is of a sand color with a dark border. In the center of this room is a heavy Italian plank end table surrounded by sturdy splat back Windsor chairs. At one end of the room is a high back sofa and at either side of the fireplace are large upholstered club chairs; conveniently placed around the room are gate leg tables and arm chairs. This room was furnished as a memorial to our Rhode Island men.

Going from the Writing room across the hall we find the dormitory equipped with 14 army spring cots and steel lockers, which brings to mind the sleeping quarters at an army post. Off the dormitory is the shower bath equipped for the convenience and comfort of guests. Ascending another flight of marble stairs and we find the large assembly and dining hall. The finish is in quartered oak with high panels wainscoating. The ceiling is divided into three large arched panels. There is an elaborate Gretian frieze below the ceiling and above the wainscoating and nine tall leaded glass windows of beatutiful design. The floor is covered with an olive green canvas to protect the polished floor for dancing. There are four electric chandeliers and wall bracket lights in clusters of three. On the platform is a grand piano all set for a good time. Adjoining the hall is the game room where one may match his wits with his buddie. Across from the banquet hall is the service room complete in its equipment.

About the only things missing in the Club will be those famous vin sisters and the only way to get a shot of "cony-ac" will be in memories as you sit around the cosy fireplaces, with real American fires in 'em when desired; in easy chairs and talk those old days over. Think what it will mean, man! ! Chow at any time, with no mess-kit to swich around in that greasy water afterwards, no dirty details, no breaking up of chairs and tables to get heat enough to keep alive. Why, if anybody had told us two years ago that we'd ever have anything like this, we'd have thought it was the biggest "joe" ever.

"No more cooties, no more vin,
But a fine young Clubhouse to spend our evenings in."

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Through the unlimited attention and interest of the Paine Furniture Co., we have been able to equip our Clubhouse with very elaborate, yet substantial furnishings that cannot be excelled in any other Club of its kind. The Representatives of the Company paid many visits to the Clubhouse, planning the color schemes and the layout of the various rooms. The blending of the rugs and furniture with woodwork and the artistic manner in which the furniture is arranged all help to lend to the rooms that carefree and hospitable atmosphere that we want the boys to feel. The Paine Furniture Company is very much interested in the Club, having thirty or forty YD men in their own employ.

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The Club is under great obligation to Miss Lotta Crabtree for a large amount of triple silver service, china, books and furniture. Donations of books have also been received from Dr. Beebe, Chestnut St., and Mr. Clark, Beacon St.

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The new YD Flag over the entrance to the Clubhouse is a beauty, at least everyone says so. One day that nice looking, blue-eyed chap of the Headquarters Company, Fld. Sig. Bn., Sergt. Harold Smith, was told that we wanted a flag. Through his mother, who is an active spirit in the 101st Field Signal Battalion Auxiliary the order was placed that afternoon with the specifications furnished by the original designer of the YD symbol. On July 2nd a committee of the Auxiliary came to the Clubhouse and presented the flag to the Board of Governors; it was formal but a very pretty ceremony and the spirit in which the flag was given more than made up for oratory and music. The flag is five by nine feet with the colors arranged as in the standard of the Republic of France, — blue, white and red — significant of the service of the Division. The white center is diamond shape, extending into the blue and red, with a blue YD which shows from either side. This design has not been accepted as official so if you have any good ideas for a better design please send them along, and the more the merrier. A copy of this design will be furnished on request.

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The YD certainly showed the people of New England that they have some real talent when it comes to putting on a catchy amateur musical comedy. The show "Sky High" produced at the Shubert Theatre the week of June 21st sure put the YD's on the Theatrical map. A play full of musical numbers intermingled with catchy lines, along with pretty girls and pretty costumes made even New York play-writers that were present, sit up and take notice. Jack Emerson (Medical Corp.) a well known YD veteran and music writer, made a great hit singing his song which he wrote entitled "E D W A R D S Spells Liberty". The opening night General Edwards was present with his Staff and returned Emerson's salute during the singing of his song. Copies can be secured through the YD Club of Boston, postpaid on receipt of 25c. Every member of the cast worked hard and helped the Club to make it's way to fame. This was the first venture of its kind, but next year we will be professionals at the game, so keep "stepping" and we will be able to do even better than this year's show, which will be going some. We wish to establish a list of talent for future productions so please send in your name, if you are interested.

Many inquiries have been received relative to division histories, how and where they could be obtained. There are several histories of the Division on sale at the Club, each distinctive in itself.

The one by Harry A. Benwell (Corpl. 103d F.A.) relates the story of the Division from its organization to its demobilization.

"With the Yankee Division in France," by Frank P. Sibley also tells the whole story with numerous interesting pictures but is more a story of the personal observations of "Sib" the correspondent.

The "Pictorial History" contains over 500 different official pictures taken by Capt. Edwin H. Cooper, Signal Corps, who was the official photographer with the 26th Division; text by Albert E. George, Headquarters Northeastern Department. The following prices include postage, prepaid:

History of the Yankee Division	By Harry A. Benwell	$2.25
"With the Yankee Division in France"	By Frank P. Sibley	3.50
The "Pictorial History"		5.00

We also have that corking story by T. Howard Kelly (103d F.A.) "What Outfit Buddy?". General Edwards says it is one of the best stories he ever read. Price postage prepaid—$2.00. Instead of buying at a book store, send your order in to the YD Club and give yourself the profit. As "Jimmy" says: "This ain't one o' them reg'lation war books. Nothin' about savin' our souls, or makin' the world safe for profiteers, or the League o' Nations in it — but a lot about the heluva good time me an' C.D. had, just the same as you an' your Buddy."

Have you got your service bar yet? We have them with the five bronze stars, price 75c postage prepaid.

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Now is the time to make your reservations for "Company banquets" at the Clubhouse. Shoot your dope in to the Manager as to the date desired, and the number of guests expected. If you want the addresses of the men from your outfit, for this purpose, either write in, or drop in for it.

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When you join a YD Club or Chapter you become a member of the Yankee Division Veterans' Association and 50 cents of your membership fee goes to pay your dues in the Association. Any person who was authorized to wear the YD shoulder insignia may become a member of the Association upon application to the Secretary, Y.D.V.A., 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. and payment of the annual dues of fifty cents. This includes officers, nurses, field clerks and enlisted men honorably discharged from the service but any member of an allied force or any authorized civilian attached to any unit of the Division for service at any time between the date of arrival of such unit in England or France and Nov. 11, 1918 shall be eligible to honorary membership. Dues in the YD Club of Boston are as follows: Resident membership (within a radius of 20 miles of Boston) $5.00. Non-Resident 1st Class (within a 100 mile radius) $2.00. Non-resident 2nd Class (all outside of the 100 mile radius) $1.00. You can be a resident member by paying $5.00 even if you live in Japan.

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How come? How's them for apples? Compree

What kep' ya buddie? I'll say she is

So long — see ya later.

THIS SOUVENIR PROGRAM

It was the decision of the Boston YD Convention Corporation to combine the usual Souvenir Program published at each Annual Convention with the regular June issue of YANKEE DOINGS this year. This was done at least once before, at Worcester, in 1936. Thus , this Convention Number will not only be given to each member registering at the Convention, but will also be mailed to every other member as well.

Because of the amount of historical data, number of illustrations, etc., to be included to make it a souvenir worth saving, it has been thought advisable to curtail the usual monthly publication of current local news items from the many chapters of the Association. Such news, filled as it is with human interest, is really the life blood of YANKEE DOINGS. Nevertheless, it is usually of temporary rather than permanent interest, and the Convention Program should be what it is called — a souvenir issue; something to be kept.

In some ways this Convention Number follows the precedent set by other cities in other years. Indeed, some of the historical data of the Division, and of the life of General EDWARDS, is reprinted almost bodily from earlier program numbers. Several customary features have been omitted: a story on the city of Boston such as that published in the case of Providence and Hartford is left out for the very good reason that an admirable pamphlet on that subject is given with each Convention envelope. The usual "Order of Business" of the Convention sessions has been omitted as being utterly useless. No Convention has ever followed anything like the procedure outlined nor probably ever will.

We hope you will enjoy the features presented here, and that you will take this little booklet home with you as one of the souvenirs of a happy time spent in Boston.

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Bands, drum corps and drill teams participating in the YD Convention will be judged on marching, playing and general appearance, in the parade on Saturday afternoon, rather than at a special competition held elsewhere.

The following prizes will be given.

Senior Drum and Bugle Corps:	
First Prize	$150.00
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First Prize	$75.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00
Men's Drill Teams:	
First Prize	$75.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00
Women's Drill Teams:	
First Prize	$75.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00

An additional Special Prize of $50.00 will be given to the outstanding unit, no matter whether it is a band, a drum corps or a drill team, senior, junior or women's.

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Chartered — February 26, 1938
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Secretary: ?
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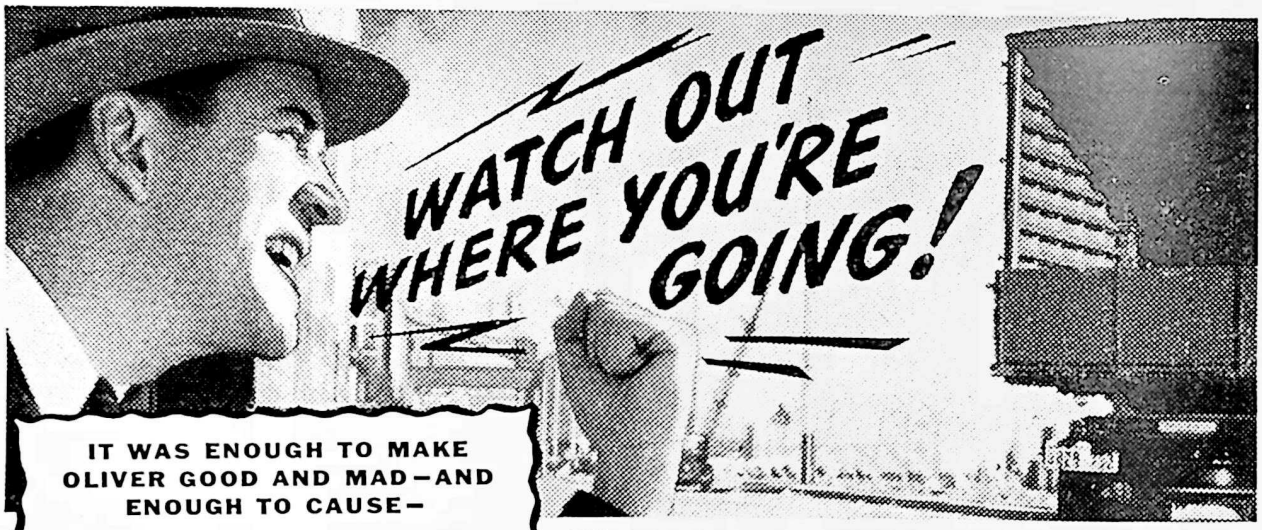

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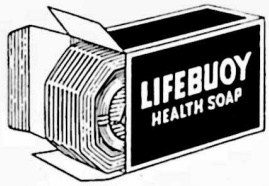

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 202

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 140

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Secretary: ROLAND HOOGERZEIL
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 19

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Secretary: THOMAS H. CAMPBELL
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 31

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Concord, Mass.

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Chartered — March 19, 1940
Membership as of March 31, 1940 21

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 36

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 110

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 196

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 31

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Secretary: FRED HYDE
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 92

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 19

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 69

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Chartered — January 23, 1935
Membership as of March 31, 1940 132

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Chartered — November 13, 1938
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Secretary: WILLIAM P. ADAMS
Chartered — March 6, 1934
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 30

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Secretary: ROBERT T. DELEHANTY
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 32

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Membership as of March 31, 1940 51

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Secretary: FRED H. FLAHAVAN
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 72

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Secretary: CHARLES H. SMITH
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Membership as of March 31, 1940 27

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Chartered — June 17, 1932
Membership as of March 31, 1940 17

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Secretary: C. EDWARD WILSON
Chartered — January 12, 1936
Membership as of March 31, 1940 165

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Secretary: HARRY S. ROOKS
Chartered — June 2, 1937
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Secretary: RAYMOND J. QUEENIN
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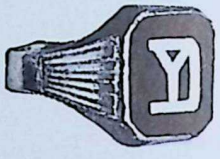

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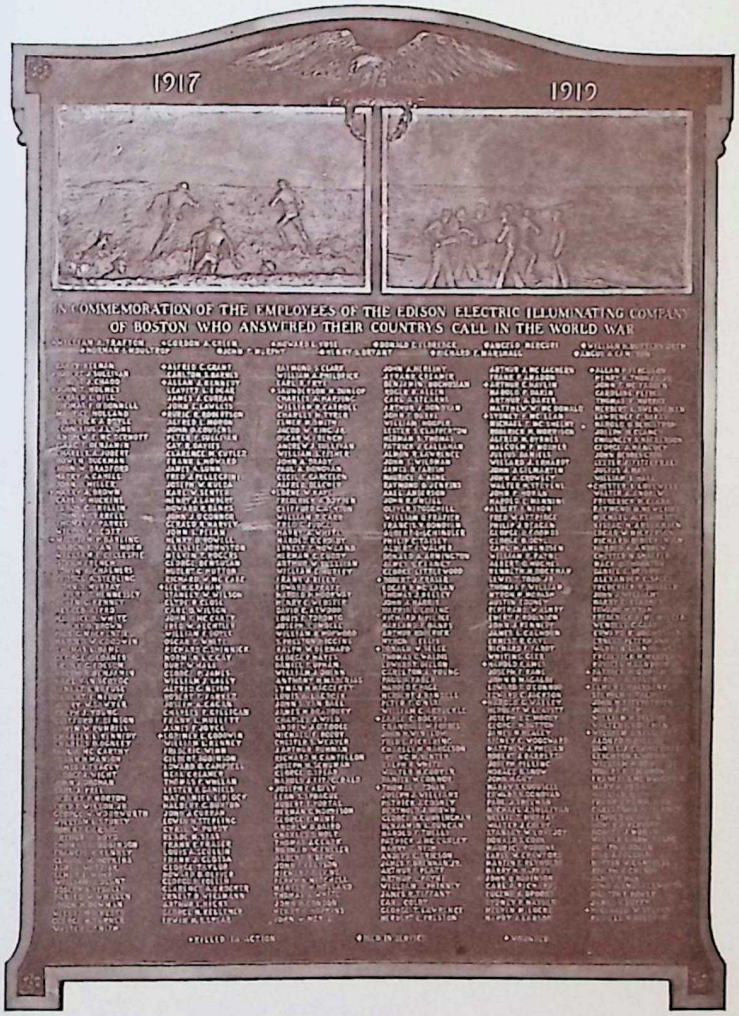

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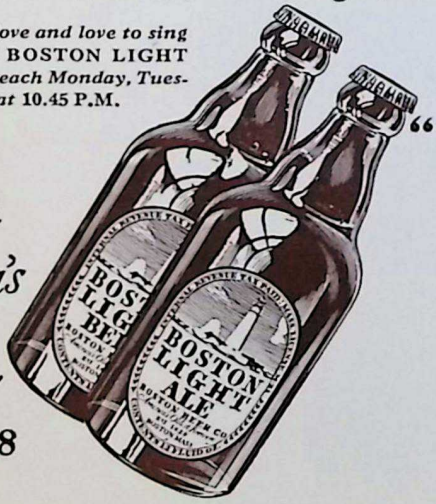

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